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Agency Notice of Webinar; Announcement of U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), National Geospatial Program 3D Elevation Program FY21 Informational Training Webinar in preparation for the upcoming release of the USGS Broad Agency Announcement for 3D Elevation Program

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Geological Survey is proposing a program-sponsored informational training webinar to provide scripted training to prospective applicants. This 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) training has been developed to encourage applications from federal agencies, states, tribes, private industry and communities across the nation to support the acquisition of high-quality elevation data and a wide range of other three-dimensional representations of the Nation's natural and constructed features.

DATES: The USGS Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for 3DEP FY21 Informational Training Webinar will be held on August 11, 2021 1:00 – 2:30 PM ET.

ADDRESSES: Informational training webinar information is available at

https://usgs.gov/3DEP/BAA

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information about this webinar contact Diana Thunen by email at gs_baa@usgs.gov, or by telephone at (303) 202-4279.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

The goal of the 3DEP is to complete acquisition of nationwide lidar (IfSAR in AK) by 2023 to provide the first ever national baseline of consistent high-resolution elevation data – both bare earth and 3D point clouds – in a timeframe of less than a decade. The 3DEP initiative is based on the results of the National Enhanced Elevation Assessment (NEEA), which indicated an

optimal benefit to cost ratio for Quality Level 2 (QL2) data collected over 8-years to complete

national coverage. The implementation model for 3DEP is based on multi-agency partnership

funding for data acquisition, with the USGS acting in a lead program management role to

facilitate planning and acquisition for the broader community through the use of government

contracts and partnership agreements. The annual BAA is a competitive solicitation issued to

facilitate the collection of lidar and derived elevation data for the 3DEP. It has been included in

the annual Catalog of Domestic Federal Assistance under USGS 15.8 17. Federal agencies, state

and local governments, tribes, academic institutions, and the private sector are eligible to submit

BAA proposals. The 3DEP informational training webinar will introduce this opportunity to the

wide array of prospective applicants and provide a summary of the BAA application procedures.

Advanced Registration is required to attend the webinar. Webinar materials will be posted to

usgs.gov/3DEP/BAA after the event.

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